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Party under a park ramada

Bright skies, a light breeze and the long-awaited temperature drop: it's fall in Tempe! Now is the perfect time to take the party outside under a ramada at one of Tempe's beautiful parks. Ramadas are the ideal venue for an outdoor gathering, whether it be a birthday party, family reunion or corporate function.

A total of 29 ramadas are available for rent at seven Tempe parks: Kiwanis, Clark, Daley, Escalante, Hollis, Jaycee and Papago. Tempe residents and businesses can rent ramadas at a discounted rate. Residents can make ramada reservations up to 11 months in advance, and non-residents can reserve up to three months in advance.

For <u>more information</u> on ramada rental rates, policies and beer and sound permits, contact the Parks and Recreation office at (480) 350-5200. First-time renters must reserve a ramada in person at the Parks and Recreation office and must present two proofs of current residency. The Parks and Recreation office is located on the second floor of the Tempe Public Library, <u>3500 S. Rural Road</u>, and is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

What do you know about Double Butte Cemetery?

When you think about Tempe Parks and Recreation, you may think of our parks, special events, recreation classes and sports programs. But did you know that Double Butte Cemetery, located on the southeast corner of <u>Broadway and 48th Street</u>, is yet another piece of Parks and Recreation?



Established in 1888, Double Butte Cemetery serves as the final resting place for many pioneer families and other Tempe residents. Charles Trumbull Hayden, Tempe's founder, is among the list of historic individuals buried at Double Butte. Also resting at Double Butte is Benjamin Baker "B.B." Moeur, Arizona's governor from 1932 to 1936, and Nan Hayden, Charles Trumbull Hayden's daughter-in-law, who sewed the first Arizona state flag.

You can discover the thousands of others who rest in Double Butte Cemetery and search for family names by accessing the online burial database at www.tempe.gov/cemetery.



Free youth basketball clinics Nov. 8 and 15

Tempe Parks and Recreation will offer free youth basketball clinics on Saturday, Nov. 8 and Saturday, Nov. 15 at the Kiwanis Recreation Center, <u>6111 S. All-America Way</u>. The clinics will run from 8:30 to 10 a.m. for fourth and fifth graders, and from 10:30 a.m. to noon for sixth through eighth graders.

The clinics will be taught by experienced hoops players and will include in-depth, challenging drills for individual and team skill development for the upcoming winter basketball seasons. Information about the winter leagues will be available at the clinics. No prior registration is required, but participants are asked to bring their own basketball. Call Keyon Cornejo at (480) 350-5222 with any questions.

Halloween Carnival Recap

For the 31st year in a row, Tempe's Family Halloween Carnival was a spooky success, attracting more than 5,000 costumed fun seekers of all ages. Nineteen non-profit organizations participated in selling food and beverages and offering carnival games to fund their causes. According to Tempe's special events department, the non-profit groups raised a combined total of more than \$5,000. See you next Halloween!



Are you ready for the conversion to digital television? Free class!

Beginning Feb. 17, 2009, all full-power broadcast television stations in the United States will stop broadcasting on analog airwaves and begin broadcasting only in digital. Are you ready for this mandatory conversion to digital television? On Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 10 a.m., the Pyle Adult Recreation Center (655 E. Southern Avenue) will offer a free class taught by representatives from CBS 5 to clarify the conversion to digital television and explain the converter box that some televisions may require to continue to broadcast. They will demonstrate how to hook up the converter box to a television, explain how it operates and answer questions.

Registration is required and can be completed <u>online</u> or in person. Call the Pyle front desk at (480) 350-5211 with any questions.



Save the Date: Final Reels & Wheels - Nov. 7

Catch the last installment of this season's Reels & Wheels outdoor movie series this Friday, Nov. 7, when the big screen at the Tempe Community Complex, <u>3500 S. Rural Road</u>, will show The Water Horse. Bring blankets and spend a night with the family at this fun and free

event. Remember to help save money and the environment by taking alternative transportation to the movie.

For more information on this free movie series, visit www.tempe.gov/recreation or call (480) 350-5200. For information on bus routes and schedules, visit www.ValleyMetro.org or call (602) 253-5000.